

## Muddy Water Adventures Announces Guided Bear Viewing Tours at Anan Wildlife Observatory for 2025 Peak Season

Muddy Water Adventures offers guided tours for bear viewing in Alaska at Anan Observatory during peak season, with small groups and expert local guides.

WRANGELL, AK, UNITED STATES, April 23, 2025 /EINPresswire.com/ -- As the peak bear viewing

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Peak season at Anan Creek brings bears and salmon together in a stunning display. Our tours offer a safe, guided way to experience this natural event."

Zach Taylor

season ignites in July and August, <u>Muddy Water</u>
<u>Adventures</u> invites wildlife enthusiasts to experience
Alaska's most thrilling spectacle at Anan Wildlife
Observatory. Located in the Tongass National Forest, this renowned site draws black and brown bears to feast on massive pink salmon runs, offering an unparalleled opportunity for bear viewing in Alaska.

Ready to witness Alaska's bears in their prime? Book your Anan Bears Tour with Muddy Water Adventures at <a href="https://www.muddywateradventures.com/tour/anan-bears-tour-">www.muddywateradventures.com/tour/anan-bears-tour-</a>

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The Anan Wildlife Observatory, just 30 miles southeast of Wrangell, is a global hotspot for bear viewing, where up to 60 bears can be spotted daily during the peak season from mid-July to late August. Unlike crowded destinations like Katmai National Park, Anan's remote location and strict U.S. Forest Service permit system limit daily visitors to 60, ensuring an intimate experience. In 2024, the observatory recorded over 300 bear sightings during peak season, cementing its status as a must-visit for nature lovers. The massive pink salmon run, one of Southeast Alaska's largest, attracts not only bears but also bald eagles, harbor seals, and ravens, creating a vibrant ecosystem that captivates visitors.

Muddy Water Adventures' signature Anan Bears Tour is a five-hour adventure departing from Wrangell's City Dock. The tour includes:

- Scenic Boat Ride: A one-hour journey through the Eastern Passage, offering views of Alaska's pristine waterways and potential sightings of whales and sea otters.
- Guided Trail Walk: A half-mile boardwalk trail to the observatory, led by expert local guides who

share insights on bear behavior and the Tongass ecosystem.

- Three Hours of Viewing: Ample time at the observatory's covered deck and photo blind to capture bears fishing for salmon, often just feet away.
- Safety and Comfort: Guides carry bear spray and rifles, and the company's new catamaran provides a smooth and comfortable ride with multiple viewing decks.

The tour is designed for small groups, fostering a personalized experience. Guests are advised to bring cameras and weather-appropriate clothing, as food is restricted on shore to protect wildlife. The tour's eco-friendly practices align with the U.S. Forest Service's conservation efforts, minimizing environmental impact while showcasing Alaska's untamed beauty.

The peak season's allure lies in its timing: the salmon run draws bears in droves, creating a dynamic display of nature's raw power. According to Alaska's Department of Fish and Game, Anan Creek's salmon run supports one of the region's largest wildlife gatherings, making it a critical habitat for bears and a bucket-list destination for travelers. Muddy Water Adventures addresses the challenge of impersonal, overcrowded bear viewing by offering small-group tours led by Wrangell locals, like owner Zach Taylor, whose lifelong experience in the region ensures safety and authenticity.

Recent testimonials highlight the tour's impact. A 2024 visitor from Western Australia praised the "fantastic close-ups of bears catching salmon" from the observatory's new lower deck, noting Zach's expertise and the comfort of the new catamaran. Another guest called it a "once-in-a-lifetime experience," emphasizing the tour's blend of adventure and education. These reviews underscore why Muddy Water Adventures is a top choice for bear viewing in Alaska.

## About Muddy Water Adventures

Muddy Water Adventures, based in Wrangell, Alaska, specializes in small-group wildlife and adventure tours. Founded by local expert Zach Taylor, the company offers immersive experiences in the Tongass National Forest, including bear viewing, glacier tours, and water taxi services. Committed to safety, sustainability, and authentic Alaskan adventures, Muddy Water Adventures has earned rave reviews for its personalized and authentic experiences.

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